years; and if a particular company's drugs are found to be defective repeatedly, that company is blacklisted.

Private nursing homes in Delhi

468. SHRI RAJU PARMAR:
SHRI BHAGATRAM MANHAR:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are aware that private nursing homes are mushrooming rapidly in the National Capital Territory of Delhi;

(b) if so, the total number of registered and unregistered private nursing homes in NCT of Delhi;

(c) whether Government propose to scan all these nursing homes so as to legalise them and approve them as per the rates of Directorate of Health Services and CGHS for treatment; and

(d) if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRI A. RAJA): (a) to (d) Health being a State subject under the Constitution of India, such information is not maintained by the Ministry of Health and Family Welfare. However, Central Government is contemplating to bring a model legislation prescribing the minimum standards for hospitals, nursing homes and other clinical establishments which can be adopted by the State Government.

CGHS network in Delhi

469. DR. ABRAR AHMED:
SHRI B.J. PANDA:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the CGHS network in Delhi is in a shamble, as reported in the *Hindustan Times*, dated 30th May, 2002;

(b) whether this sad State of affairs prevailing since long in this network has been brought to the notice of PM, highlighting that 84 per cent of Government patients seek the advice and treatment of private doctors on account of poor, precarious, negligible treatment and misbehaviour of the staff, leading to drainage of lakhs of public funds; and

(c) if so, the details of remedial action taken in the matter?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRI A. RAJA): (a) to (c) Information is being collected and would be laid on the table of the Sabha.

Primary Health Centres

†470. SHRI RAM JETHMALANI:
SHRI RAJIV RANJAN SINGH 'LALAN':

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that a decision has been taken to pay more attention to Primary Health Centres in the New Health Policy;

(b) if so, whether Government have formulated any scheme at national level to increase the number of these Health Centres and to improve standard of the service being rendered by these Centres; and

(c) if so, the details thereof and by when, it is likely to be implemented?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRI A. RAJA): (a) Yes, Sir. The National Health Policy-2002 envisages increased allocation for primary health sector. It also projects that increased aggregate outlay for the primary health sector will be utilized for strengthening the existing facilities and opening additional public health service outlets consistent with the norms for such facilities.

(b) and (c) Government have not formulated any new Scheme. However, the matter was discussed in Tenth Plan Steering Committees of Health and Family Welfare. The Committee recommended that the targets

†Original notice of the Question was received in Hindi.